

Congruity Connection



CLIFF'S NOTES

ELDERS

Sue Blank

Tim D'Aurora

Phyllis Frye

Keith Orr

Janet Rugh

Linda Sellinger

Bob Schweppe

Joelyn Watt

Ronda Weinell

Ryan Gallagher Y.R.

DEACONS

Evey Anderson

Dorothy Brant

Becky Davis

Lisa Heasley

Teri Hoffman

Carol Hohman

Joseph Stopansky

Gale Wilhelm

I find it hard to believe that we are beginning the month of June! The first six months of 2010 seemed to have flown by. June is a month that marks many milestones—school will be getting out for the summer vacation, high school graduations, our summer worship schedule begins, and celebrating Father's Day.

This will be the first Father's Day in nearly 51 years without my Dad. In the nearly 7 months from his death, I still think of him often. But the other day as I was thinking about Father's Day—it occurred to me how fortunate my Dad is this year—he will be celebrating Father's Day in heaven in the loving presence of God—our heavenly Father. Even though I wish that my Dad could have been blessed with good health for more years—I know that he is in a better place... part of that great cloud of witnesses that Hebrews 12:1 describes. I am fortunate to have had my Dad's guidance, example and the importance of his faith in his life for over 50 years. I just hope that I can be an example to my kids as my Dad was to me and my sister.

I want to wish all of the dads in our church family a very Happy Father's Day.

We will be honoring the graduates in our church family on Sunday, June 27th. I wish all of our graduates success as they begin a new chapter in their lives and in all their future endeavors.

Yours in Christ's love,

Cliff

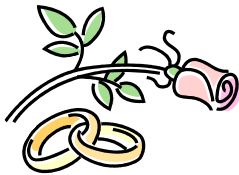
JUNE CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

6/6	Gale Wilhelm	6/18	Sophia Watt
6/13	Charles Frye Ryan Gallagher	6/21	Rosemary Orr Jonathon Schrecengost
6/14	Sydney Hoffman	6/26	Dean Frye
6/15	Scott Hamilton	6/28	Mary Lloyd
6/17	Ashley Passante	6/30	Trevor Martz



ANNIVERSARIES



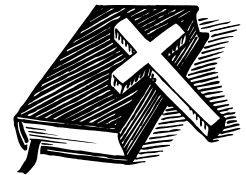
6/14/1995	Larry & Carol Zabkar
6/19/2009	Bob & Tristan Brant
6/20/1981	Bob & Nancy Schweppe
6/21/1975	Ced & Sarabeth Stopansky

Happy Belated Anniversary to
Gale & Judy Wilhelm ~ 5/17/2008

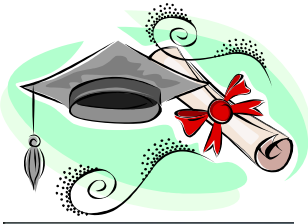
SEPARATED BY SPACE UNITED IN PRAYER

The congregations and pastors from District 1 for our prayer support during the month of June are as follows:

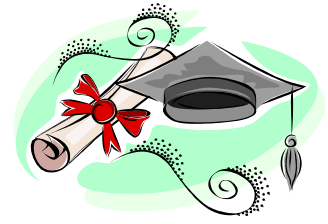
- 6/6 Murrysville, Newlonsburg † Robert McCreight, interim pastor
Marnie Silbert, associate pastor
- 6/13 Murrysville, Union † Ken Chorle, pastor
- 6/20 New Alexandria, Community
- 6/27 New Alexandria, Congruity † Cliff Foster, pastor



LOOK BACK AND THANK GOOD.
LOOK FORWARD AND TRUST GOD.
LOOK AROUND AND SERVE GOD.
LOOK WITHIN AND FIND GOD!



Congratulations to our *Graduates*



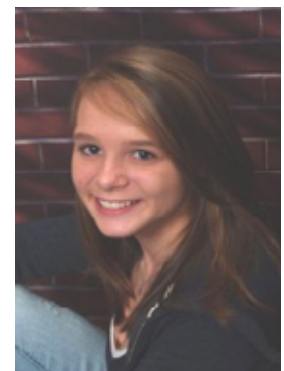
Mike Kepple ~ the son of Jim and Michelle Kepple and the grandson of George and Sue Kepple and Ron and Dorothy Martz. Mike will be graduating from Greensburg Salem High School. Mike plans to work on the family's dairy farm after graduation.

Kristie Kepple ~ the daughter of Jim and Michelle Kepple and the granddaughter of George and Sue Kepple and Ron and Dorothy Martz. Kristie graduated from Saint Vincent College with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary.



Joe Stopansky ~ the son of Ced & Sarabeth Stopansky will be graduating from Kiski Area Senior High. Joe will attend St. Vincent College majoring in math & minoring in education.

Amber Sellinger ~ the daughter of Ken & Linda Sellinger and the granddaughter of Harold & Meryle Kaufman. Amber will be graduating from Greensburg Salem High School.



Congratulations!

Jessica Foresman ~ daughter of Paul Foresman and granddaughter of Evelyn Foresman will be graduating from Franklin Regional High School.



T L C

L I S A H E A S L E Y



We were blessed several years ago when we hosted an appreciation luncheon for the women of Congruity. We were given the opportunity to learn so much from stories that everybody told and have very fond memories of that day. This year, we would like to honor all of the men of Congruity. Our men do so much for this church and we want to thank them with a meal. So, if you are a member or friend of Congruity, please let us serve you a meal fit for a king on June 13, 2010 at 5:00.

Our next meeting will be on June 9th at 6:30pm. We would like to express that we would love for you to join us. This is a great opportunity to have some "girl" time with a fun, loving and supportive group of friends. Invite a friend or neighbor to come with you. If you need to bring your children, we can provide childcare, just call Lisa Heasley @ 724-668-2094 to make arrangements. There is no pressure or obligation to attend all meetings. Give us a try, It may be just what you need.

~ We have meals prepared. If you know of someone that is feeling under the weather or just had a baby, or any other reason and may need a prepared meal, please talk to a member of TLC or Cliff



C H R I S T I A N E D C O M M I T T E E

P A M F O R E S M A N

Don't miss it!!...Vacation Bible School 2010 is right around the corner!! It will be held from July 19-23, 2010 and the theme is PLANET ZOOM!!! It will be held every day from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at Congruity! It will be a Community VBS this year with all the local churches also included. Please keep in mind that we will be asking for scholarships in any amount you are able to contribute for the children to help defray the costs of supplies, materials, etc. We also need people who are interested in teaching or helping out during that week. If you would like to contribute your time and talents, donate money for scholarships, or if you just have questions about VBS please contact Reverend Foster, Evelyn Foresman, or any Christian Ed. Committee member. Invite all your friends and family to come discover PLANET ZOOM! It promises to be Out of This World!

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S
ASSOCIATION**



There will be envelopes in the pews during the month of July for the birthday offering, a p. w. project which gives grants to various mission projects around the world.

Thank you to all who contributed hygiene kits and baby kits to Church World Service. Congruity collected 30 hygiene kits and 12 baby kits. They have been delivered to New Windsor, Maryland. Total numbers for Redstone Presbytery are 410 hygiene kits, 68 baby kits, 366 receiving blankets, 55 baby gowns, 23 school kits, 60 baby caps plus \$610 donated towards shipping and handling. It took two trips.

D E A C O N S

The Deacons are sponsoring Tools for Hope for Father's Day. Tools can be purchased for \$5.00 in someone's honor or memory. Church World Service distributes the tools to all areas in need. Please make checks payable to Congruity Deacons. There will be envelopes in the pews.

BLANKET SUNDAY

Blankets purchased by Phyllis Frye, Eleanor Gray, Perry & Carol Miller, Lana Munsell, Amy Stine & Ronde Weinell

Blankets purchased in honor or memory ~

Dick & Evey Anderson ~ In memory of their mothers

Gene & Dorothy Brant ~ In honor of Margo Overholt and Jared Henry

Charles & Betty Lou Carr ~ In memory of their parents

Tim & Caroline D'Aurora ~ In honor of Janet Rugh and in memory of Ruth Fennel

Dotty D'Aurora ~ In memory of Ruth Fennel, Loretta D'Aurora & Kathy Hufford

Evelyn Foresman ~ In memory of loved ones

Dave & Pam Foresman ~ In honor of Evelyn Foresman & Violet Franco

Cliff Foster ~ In honor of Anna Foster

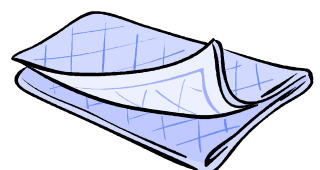
Robert & Carol Hohman ~ In honor of Diane, Kay & Holly

In memory of Alice, Isabel & Anna

Ron & Dorothy Martz ~ In honor of their mothers

Ron & Shirley Stoltz ~ In memory of their mothers

Ced & Sarabeth Stopansky ~ In memory and honor of their
mothers



TREASURER'S REPORT

CAROLINE D'AURORA



	Receipts	Expenses	Actual Balance	To Date Balance
<i>Balance as of January 1</i>			\$ 3,663.14	
January	\$ 7,225.06	\$ 8,149.87	\$ 2,738.33	\$ (924.81)
February	\$ 6,515.25	\$ 8,225.67	\$ 1,027.91	\$ (2,635.23)
March	\$ 6,302.62	\$ 7,343.45	\$ (12.92)	\$ (3,676.06)
April	\$ 7,769.14	\$ 8,873.88	\$ (1,117.66)	\$ (4,780.80)
May	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,117.66)	\$ (4,780.80)

First Fruits

	Received	Pledged	Balance
January	\$ 809.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 225.67
February	\$ 675.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 317.34
March	\$ 392.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 126.01
April	\$ 514.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 56.68

	This Month	To Date
2-Cents a Meal	\$ 8.00	\$ 61.28
One Great Hour of Sharing		\$ 769.90
Hoagle Sale Profit to the General Fund		\$ 421.00

Thanks to all of the members and friends of Congruity who generously donate the time, talents, and resources that enable us to do good works.



ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

SUE DEREK

Orders will be taken June 6th & 13th

Distribution date June 19th ~ 9:30-10:30am at CUP

If the order dates or pick ups are hard to do, please call Sue at home and arrangements can be made. Orders also can be done on line at

www.angelfoodministries.com by credit card

Remember if you need a ride to or from any activity at Congruity, we will be glad to arrange for someone to pick you up. Please call the office to make arrangements.

ITEMS FROM SESSION**CLIFF FOSTER**

Session met on May 17, 2010 and reports the following:

- 1) Janet Rugh led us in devotions reading from Isaiah 40:31.**
- 2) Approved Clerk's, Treasurer's and Moderator's reports**
- 3) Elected Susan Blank as commissioner to Presbytery meeting on May 18, 2010.**
- 4) The Deacons reported \$355 received for Blanket Sunday.**
- 5) The Women's Association reported that profit from the Turkey Dinner was \$3457.16. Approved the Birthday Offering to be received during July, envelopes will be in pews. Approved receiving diapers for Sarah Johnston's new daughter.**
- 6) The Mission Interpretation and Stewardship Committee reported that 200 people were served at the recent Spaghetti Dinner.**
- 7) Granted permission for the Seanor Park Committee to meet at the church on 5/18/10.**
- 8) The Worship Committee reported that 72 red geraniums were ordered for Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd. The graduates in our congregation will be honored on June 27, 2010.**
- 9) Accepted with regrets the resignation of Jessica Foresman from the Deacons.**
- 10) Discussed the question, "What does the church mean to you" in light of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church of Jesus Christ.**
- 11) Visit the church website at www.congruitychurch.org.**

The Mission of Congruity Presbyterian Church is to lead all person to a biblical and theological understanding of reformed faith, to glorify God, to bear witness to Jesus Christ and to be the channel of God's saving power, so that His Kingdom may come and His Will be done in all the earth. We are the family of God. Therefore we focus on living as a loving family. Fellowship and worship will be the heart of our loving, caring church. (4/18/05)



THE MISSION INTERPRETATION & STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

TIM D'AURORA

I want to thank everyone who helped make the rescheduled spaghetti dinner a rousing success. Even though there were concerns about having the dinners back to back, we wound up with one of our most successful dinners ever. We served nearly 200 people and will probably show a profit of well over \$600.00. Hopefully, we can continue to improve with each and every dinner. It couldn't happen without the generosity and support of many of you.

I have been making an effort to keep things positive in this report over the last several months. Well, on a positive note, our receipts in April were the highest for the year. Unfortunately, (you knew it was coming) as a month with 3 pay periods, it was also our highest expense month. As you can see from the Treasurer's Report, we dropped another \$1,117.66 further into the red. This puts our year-to-date balance at -4,780.80. And we are losing our cushion in the First Fruits account as well. I know this often sounds like a broken record but we need to prayerfully examine our giving levels. God has richly blessed us. We have been given many gifts. Please use these gifts to the fullest.

On a related note, I still hear rumblings about the cost of operating the building with the new addition. I want to emphasize the fact that it isn't costing us any more to operate the new, much more efficient addition than it did the older, smaller building. It seems people still have a hard time grasping this reality. The fact is the majority of our costs are directly associated with personnel. They make up over 2/3rds of our total budget and there really isn't any area there to trim. Our only option is to increase revenue. So again, if you are able to give more, please do. If not, there are still many areas that you can make a difference. Donate your time and talent wherever possible. When we have an event like our hoagie sale or our spaghetti dinner, do your best to support it. Be aggressive in selling hoagies or inviting people to the dinner. The more we serve, the more profit we can make. And both of these fundraisers go directly to the general fund. You can make a difference.

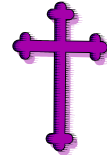


“The written Word of God is an expression of God’s mind as surely, though in a different manner, as are creation and the living Word, Jesus. As we read and study the Bible intelligently, humbly, and openly, we come evermore to share God’s mind.”

Submitted by Doug Stine

MISSION TEAM NEWS

PHYLLIS FRYE



Mission Trip to West Virginia Aug. 8-14 There will be another planning meeting on June 6 at the home of Phyllis Frye for anyone planning on going on the mission trip to West Virginia. We need a definite confirmation along with a \$50 deposit, and if you are planning to drive, a copy of your drivers license. Questions, contact Phyllis Frye 724 468 3740 or Judy Koontz 724 668 2843.

The Mission Team leaves for West Virginia on August 8, 2010 and will be there for 1 week. To help offset the cost, Hoss's has set aside one day that they will give us 20% of all sales that day that are accompanied with a fundraiser card. The date of the fundraiser is June 24th. The cards are FREE!! All you have to do is, go to Hoss's in Murrysville on June 24, 2010 and present the card and eat. When you get your bill, you can note that we will receive 20% of your total. So, the more you eat, the more we make. Why not have your Deacon meeting there, or your social gathering, maybe even a group picnic. You can also buy G.C. on that day and that will also help us to earn money.

We will leave the cards on the counter outside of Dorothy's office after June 6th. Please help yourself to one or give some to your friends. The best part of this fundraiser is, no prep or clean up. Just enjoy a meal!!

MISSION / YOUTH GROUP

LISA HEASLEY & LINDA SELLINGER



So far we have 6 youth interested in going on the trip to West Virginia. I am so excited that 3 of them are members of Congruity and they have 3 friends interested in going. They seem to be excited about the trip and have wonderful fundraising ideas. One of which is to design T-shirts to sell. So, I am asking all of the youth of Congruity to submit a design for a shirt. The theme of the design is: "WHY WE HELP OTHERS". You can look up scripture that tells us why Jesus says we should help others, draw a picture of helping someone, or be creative and make a design that shows the emotions you can have when you help others. I also need you to write down what color shirt you would like your design on. Please submit all ideas to Lisa Heasley by June 20, 2010. Have fun with this & be creative. This is for all of the youth to participate in. You do not have to be going on the trip. All proceeds with go to the youth group and will help cover some of the expenses of the trip and the remainder will help fund other youth group trips or activities. If you can't go on the trip, but want to help with other fundraiser ideas, Please contact Lisa Heasley @ 724-668-2094. We have fun things planned for the kids to participate in, whether they are in the youth group or not and would love to have them join in the activities.

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**WE'RE ON THE WEB!
 congruitychurch.org**

WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00 AM

PLEASE JOIN US!

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A T T E N D A N C E

Sunday School

	Youth	Adults	Total
4/25	3	22	25
5/2	3	17	20
5/9	6	16	22
5/16 10	22	32	

Worship

4/25	67
5/2	43
5/9	61
5/16	59

**C H U R C H S T A F F A N D
 O F F I C E R S**

Cliff Foster	Pastor
John Blank	Clerk of Session
Becky Davis	Deacon's Moderator
Caroline D'Aurora	Treasurer
Michelle Kepple	Financial Secretary
Dorothy Martz	Church Secretary
Janet Henry	Music Director
Yvonne McInay	Newsletter Editor
John Blank	Webmaster

**Dorothy is in Monday & Thursday mornings.
 Cliff is in the office most mornings.**